

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**



FROM: Supervisor Tavaglione

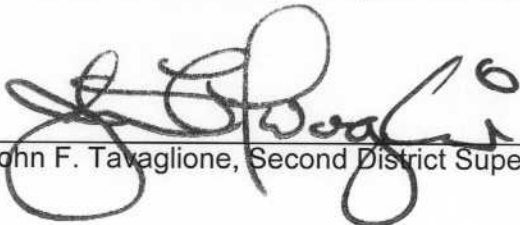
SUBMITTAL DATE: November 7, 2006

SUBJECT: FORMATION OF CAPITAL PROJECT REVIEW COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors establishes a Capital Improvement Review Committee, for the purpose of providing cost oversight and review of any and all cost overruns or change orders that may result or be proposed on the county's capital improvement projects. That the committee be ad hoc in nature and consist of two (2) Board Members, Supervisor Stone and Supervisor Tavaglione, and that they be called upon to meet only when a project change order or need arises which will result in a particular project exceeding the 10% contingency established in the project budget. That, if said cost increase arises, the committee shall review the requested changes, determine the validity of said changes, source of revenue or financing to accommodate the proposed change, and make final recommendations to the full board, as to whether said change request should be supported or denied.

BACKGROUND: Our Board has embarked on an aggressive Capital Improvement Plan to deal with the ever-increasing growth of the county. Whether the project be the new Fleet Services Facility in Jurupa, the 1933 Historic Courthouse renovation/remodel, the two (2) new Animal Shelter Facilities (northwest & southwest), the Downtown (DA) Law Building, or the major countywide Jail System expansion – all are major capital projects where, if not closely monitored, could lead to increases well into the tens of millions of dollars.

While we have an extremely effective and competent construction and cost oversight team in place, lead by Rob Field, Director of our Facilities Management Agency, the guardianship of the public's funds falls solely with the Board of Supervisors. Our Board must never again be faced with anything near the unfortunate cost overruns and design change orders experienced during the construction of the Southwest Justice Center, and it is for this reason that the establishment of a Capital Improvement Review Committee be established.


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